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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for three (3) months, to and including March 29, 2005, be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) in order to extend the period for response to the outstanding rejection of September 29, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-1729 for the required fee, and for any additional charges that may be incurred.

Respectfully submitted

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